GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:317
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2008
BED AND BREAKFAST SCHEME
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Incredible India Bed and Breakfast Scheme has been successful after its launch;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to give incentives to Bed and Breakfast units;

(d) if so, the details of the incentives proposed;

(e) the extent to which the Scheme will address the accommodation shortage in the country particularly in the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands; and

(f) the total number of units likely to come up in the next two years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f): A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a),(b),(c),(d),(e) and (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 317 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2008 REGARDING BED AND BREAKFAST SCHEME

(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f): The Incredible India Bed and Breakfast Scheme has been launched allover the country and in NCT, Delhi till now 172 establishments with 520 rooms have been registered. The Government of NCT of Delhi has decided that

(i) domestic water and power tariff will be levied on these premises;

(ii) no luxury tax will be applicable to such establishments and

(iii) property tax will be levied as on tenanted premises on pro-rata basis.Ministry of Tourism has written to all State Governments/Union Territories including Andaman and Nicobar Islands to consider granting similar incentives to Bed and Breakfast establishments. Since the Incredible India Bed and Breakfast Scheme is a voluntary scheme,the total number of units likely to come up in the next two years cannot be assessed.